

IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1, 2, and 3. These sheets, which include Figs. 1, 2, and 3, replace the original sheets including Figs. 1, 2 and 3.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets (3)

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-24 are presently active in this case.


In the outstanding Office Action, Figures 1-3 were objected to; the Specification was objected to; the Abstract was objected to; and Claims 1-24 were indicated as allowed.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter. In light of this indication, the Figures, Specification, and Abstract have been amended. Specifically, Figure 1 has been amended to include a "Background Art" label; Figures 2 and 3 have been amended to correct labels 104b and 105b; the Specification has been amended to correct typographical errors; and the Abstract has been amended to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.72 and MPEP § 608.01(a). No new matter is added by the present amendments.

Accordingly, in view of the present amendments, the objections stated in the outstanding Office Action are moot, and Claims 1-24 are believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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